SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

CHRISTIAN F. HOLINKA

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Plaintiff,

Index No.: 114120-06

-against-

A.0. SMITH WATER PRODUCTS, et al. including RHEEM MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

ANSWER TO VERIFIED COMPLAINT

Defendants.

Defendant, RHEEM MANUFACTURING COMPANY i/p/a RHEEM MANUFACTURING CORP., through its attorneys LAW OFFICES OF IAN R. GRODMAN, P.C., in answer to plaintiff's Verified Complaint sets forth as follows:

THE PARTIES

- 1. This answering defendant denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations contained in paragraph 1 of the Complaint.
- 2. This answering defendant denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations contained in paragraphs 2 through 19 of the Complaint.
- 3. This answering defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraphs 20 and 21 of the Complaint
- 4. This answering defendant denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations contained in paragraphs 22, 23, 24 and 25 of the Complaint.

Dated:

New York, New York January 31, 2007

Yours, etc.

LAW OFFICES OF IAN R. GRODMAN, P.C.

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